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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS OVERSIGHT		
9	OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	In the Matter of:	) ESCROW LICENSE NO.: 963-2490	
12	THE COMMISSIONER OF BUSINESS	) ) ORDER TERMINATING	
13	OVERSIGHT,	) CONSERVATORSHIP	
14	Complainant,		
15	V.	)	
16	VELOCITY ESCROW, INC.,		
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18	Respondent.	)	
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20	The Commissioner of Business Oversight finds as follows:		
21	1. Velocity Escrow, Inc., a Califo	ornia corporation ("Velocity"), was an escrow agent	
22	licensed by the Commissioner of Business Oversight ("Commissioner"), pursuant to the Escrow Lav		
23	of the State of California (Fin. Code §17000, et seq.).		
24	2. According to the documents fi	led with the Commissioner by Velocity, Mutasem Al	
25	Saad ("Al Saad") was the president and fifty percent (50%) shareholder and Hali Saad ("Saad") was		
26	the vice-president, manager, and fifty percent (50%) shareholder of Velocity.		
27	3. For reasons stated in the docur	ments listed below and dated April 17, 2015, the	

Commissioner took possession of the trust and general accounts of Velocity and all bank and escrow

Section 17630, and

	records pertinent thereto, and appointed Peter A. Davidson as Conservator over Velocity by issuing		
	the following documents:		
	A.	Demand For and Order Taking Possession Pursuant to California Financial Code	
Section 17621, and			
	B.	Order Appointing Peter A. Davidson as Conservator Pursuant to Financial Code	

- C. Notice and Summary of Findings Pursuant to Financial Code Section 17621.
- 4. Pursuant to both the Order Taking Possession and the Conservatorship Order, all persons, including Al Saad and Saad, who had possession, custody or control of any of the trust and general funds and bank account and escrow records of Velocity, became obligated to turn over to the Conservator such funds and records.
- The Conservator took possession of the trust and general funds, and, pursuant to
   Financial Code Section 17630, took actions to conserve those trust funds pending further disposition of the trust affairs.
- 6. On May 12, 2015, pursuant to a settlement agreement entered into between Velocity, Al Saad and Saad, the Commissioner issued an order revoking the escrow agent's license of Velocity.
- 7. The Conservator has performed a reconciliation of the escrow trust account(s) of Velocity and obtained the approval of the Commissioner to make a distribution of the Velocity trust funds to trust fund claimants.
- 8. The Conservator has distributed such escrow trust funds to the extent that the person(s) could be located, escheated those funds where the claimants were known, but could not be located, and interplead those funds for which the parties could not agree as to whom the funds should be distributed.
  - 9. The remaining assets of Velocity have been returned by the Conservator to Velocity.
- 10. The Commissioner is satisfied that termination of the conservatorship may be done safely and is in the public interest.

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- 11. The Conservator has provided to the Commissioner a final report of the conservatorship.
- 12. Concurrently herewith, the Commissioner has appointed Corporations Examiner Azucena Manalo to act as limited conservator over the banking and escrow records of Velocity in order that such records are retained for the period required by California Code of Regulations, title 10, section 1737. Accordingly, the Conservator will be transferring the escrow records to the limited conservator for retention.

Now, good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The April 17, 2015 conservatorship is hereby terminated pursuant to Financial Code Section 17634.
- 2. The Commissioner hereby ratifies those actions taken by the Conservator with respect to the trust and general account(s) and any bank and escrow records, and the Conservator, the State of California and each of their respective employees and agents is hereby released from any and all obligation and/or liability arising out of or relating to the conservatorship of Velocity.

Dated: July 1, 2016

Los Angeles, California

JAN LYNN OWEN Commissioner of Business Oversight

Mary Ann Smith
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